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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

OWEN COUNTY MAN SENTENCED FOR BEING A FELON IN POSSESSION OF FIREARMS, INCLUDING TWO ASSAULT RIFLES

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that LARRY E. YELEY, 60, Worthington, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge John Daniel Tinder to 30 months imprisonment following his guilty plea to being a felon in possession of a firearms. This prosecution follows an investigation by the Indiana State Police, the Owen County Sheriff and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and is part of the PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS initiative.

On January 30, 2004, pursuant to a federal search warrant, law enforcement officers entered the residence of LARRY E. YELEY in Worthington, Owen County, Indiana. They

recovered nine firearms that YELEY allegedly possessed, including two, loaded, Norinco, SKS, semi-automatic rifles. Law enforcement officers also recovered more than 2,000 rounds of ammunition possessed by YELEY, including two boxes of armor-piercing ammunition. YELEY was previously convicted of interfering with a police officer, a felony, in 1971 in Shelby County, Indiana.

According to First Assistant United States Attorney Timothy M. Morrison, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Tinder sentenced YELEY to three years supervised release following completion of his prison term.

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